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STATE ROAD 516 LAKE / ORANGE EXPRESSWAY

US 27 TO SR 429

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) is building State Road 516 (Lake/Orange Expressway) as a critical connection between Lake and Orange counties. Planning for the new 4.4 mile corridor has been underway since 2019 in response to planned commercial, residential, educational and medical communities between State Road 429 and US 27.

SR 516 is being constructed in three segments with context sensitive features including a wildlife tunnel to protect the Florida Wildlife Corridor and a new multi-use trail as a critical component of the Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail system.

QUICK FACTS

- **Estimated Construction Timeline:**
April 2024-2029
- **Estimated Construction Cost:**
\$546 million

GOALS FOR SR 516

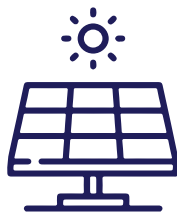
- Improve east-west connectivity, regional mobility, travel times, and intermodal access across counties, freight centers, rail, airports, and ports
- Accommodate current and future transportation demand driven by planned growth in the corridor
- Support economic development and job creation aligned with Lake County's Wellness Way Area Plan
- Expand active transportation choices with dedicated multi-use trail infrastructure
- Roadway infrastructure pilot project for electric vehicle charging
- Ensure resilience with features like improved emergency evacuation/services access (e.g., for hurricanes), solar-powered lighting and native landscaping



Rendering of the SR 516/SR 429 interchange



Landscaped with native plants and trees



Solar panels to power the road lights and toll equipment



Pursuing platinum level ENVISION certification



Pilot for emerging technology



The Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) is an independent agency of the State of Florida that operates and maintains a regional network of expressways for 3.6 million residents of Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole counties and more than 76.7 million annual visitors to Central Florida. CFX's 125-centerline mile, user-funded system includes 73 interchanges, 14 mainline toll plazas, 5 mainline gantries, 76 ramp toll facilities, and 365 bridges. On average, more than 1.6 million toll transactions are recorded daily, all of them electronically. CFX operates E-PASS, the first electronic toll collection system in Florida, with more than 2 million E-PASS accounts. For more information, visit CFXway.com.

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WORK ZONE SAFETY

For the safety of motorists and work crews, speed limits will be strictly enforced during construction. Speeding fines are doubled in work zones when workers are present. Motorists are reminded to change lanes for safety when they see Road Rangers assisting other motorists or flashing lights, it's Florida law. Please be alert for construction vehicles and other equipment entering and leaving the travel lanes. Pay close attention to work zone signs and devices.

PROJECT BENEFITS



Improve connectivity opportunities for Lake and Orange counties.



Support economic viability & job creation for the Wellness Way Area Plan.



New multi-use trail in Lake County.



Wildlife tunnel near Lake Louisa State Park to protect drivers and animals.

PROJECT MAP

